

Remarks

Upon entry of the foregoing amendments, claims 1-25 are pending in the application, with claim 1 being the sole independent claim.

Claims 1-25 are sought to be amended. Claims 1-25 are amended solely to place them in a format which better complies with USPTO rules. These amendments should not be considered an amendment related to patentability. Support for the amendments to claims 1-25 is found, *inter alia*, in the originally filed claims 1-25.

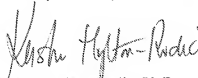
These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested. Applicants believe the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Respectfully submitted,

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